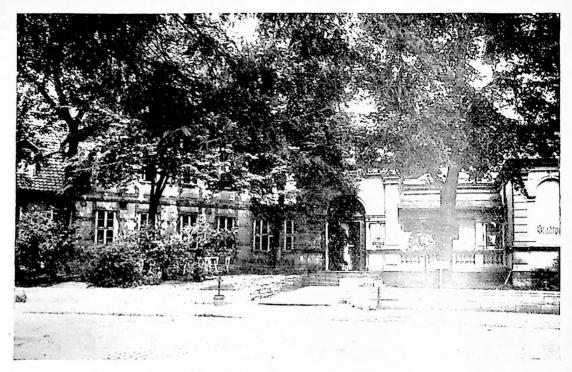
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A TRIBUTE TO OLD GLORY

LET us give something to America, which would be as irremovable as our gratitude and admiration for the President and people of the United States. We have not much which we can now bestow; but since they know the white cliffs of the South, and we cannot detach the cliffs of Dover, could we not exercise our common sense of lasting obligation in an outstanding and unusual manner?

Islands are memories of vanished lands. The sea, that master-sculptor, is for ever at work upon them with his tides and storms. Let one such island wear from this day onwards the Flag which we have learnt to venerate as our own. To make this island theirs in perpetuity would bring them nearer. Our mutual understanding would not need a war to bring the ordinary people on both sides of the Atlantic to learn each other's ways and institutions. Let us be able to salute 'Old Glory' in secure possession of new State, presented to the Union, adjacent to our shores—the Isle of Wight.

Were this well done, agreed, offered, accepted, the most indubitably English island would be a keepsake and a pleasant playground for our kinsfolk, where we could see them often. The island would be fully handed over, struck off our strength, a jewel from the Crown becoming on infinitesimal star in the great constellation of the Union. America would be entirely free to do what she thought fit with her possession, with compensation to the freeholders. She could build Air-fields, which may otherwise enrich the de Valera Government, when they have ceased to mourn the loss of Hitler. Having the Wight under the sovereignty of the United States would not only prove our trust and confidence in their abiding partnership, but would enable the most stay-at-home, untravelled English families to learn a little more of the United States.

I shivered in '42, when a dear shipmate, landing in Texas—that great Lone Star State—said: "Hullo! Yank!" to the first man he met. To tell a highlander he came from Brighton would be far less offensive than that opening. The English are (it seems) well satisfied to know nothing whatever of the geography or history of the United States; but we regard them as raw savages, when—which is rare—they do not know our ways of calling the one man who makes no speeches the Speaker of the House, or the one Terminus which cannot lead North West, Liverpool Street.

We have not had the time, nor yet the rations, to exercise much hospitality. Our castles and museums have been closed, families broken up, tea-caddies empty. Now we are hoping that they won't depart until we can secure a pint of paint and brighten up our poor blitzed window boxes with a few marigolds or nasturtiums. Can we induce them to call in again, and (to their huge surprise) find England fresh and thriving, with our own lads settled down in homes now pouring over from the States—their culminating generosity.

Take but two items. Here's an Admiral of ours, confiding his sincere anxiety. "I'm much afraid that our quite natural pride in our own Yards has blinded the British public to what the Yards in U.S.A. have built and turned over to us without payment. Why, in a single twelve months, when every Yard in the British Empire, working all out, gave us six hundred ships, the Yards of the United States gave us eight hundred. Meanwhile they forged ahead with their own Fleets.

That's typical of what they've done to help.

I wonder if the English realise?"

Or take this happy case of an invasion. In 1943 a Hampshire village near the sea was warned that a thousand American Engineers, just landed from their last station in Alaska, were coming to take over (prior to D-Day). The village, which had not got on too well with British troops billeted in the empty houses, now feared the worst. Stories against Americans were common conversation between neighbours. Most of these stories were apocryphal, but several of the cheapest Sunday papers had recently made play with one or two criminal cases. Some of the stories had a German origin.

The dreaded guests arrived and took over upon a Saturday. Nothing occurred. Saturday night was positively quiet. The village constable dozed undisturbed. The village Inns declared no dividends. No tommy guns got busy in their parlours. Vindictive spinsters peeped behind the blackout but failed to find any loose goings-on. In point of fact, after three months of residence, these thousand Middle Western Engineers left not one

evil record in the place.

On Sunday morning, after their parade, the newcomers (to everyone's amazement) got into bunches and inquired their way towards their various denominations. Baptist Church was hopelessly inadequate, and some despairing Baptists from the Prairies had a bad lapse and solemnly attended the village Church of England with a fervour seldom evinced by any Hampshire yokel. The Vicar did his best, we understand. About two hundred of these strange large men marched for three miles into a neighbouring town to attend Mass. priest was much encouraged, but seriously put to it for space. The American Presbyterians were desolate, for they could find no such conventicle. They patronised the Congregational Chapel, and overflowed into a small Bethesda, where they sat spell-bound

under the ministrations of a Gypsy preacher from the New Forest. I am indeed most credibly informed that some seven hundred of those thousand Buddies attended worship on that first Sunday morning. It shook that Hampshire village to the core; and in the rival Banks, opening on Monday, more than a thousand dollars were paid in by the Churchwardens, Elders and Evangelists. This fact was a Revival in itself. On the following Sunday not so many went to any place of worship. But several hundreds carried gamely on going to Church and Chapel as free men.

I must foreclose this narrative, which merits almost a book of conversations cherished by almost every cottage in the village. For the Americans, though shy at first, started (with curiosity) to call. They called to see what they could do to help. They chopped up logs. They mended kitchen chairs, and sat on them to test them thoroughly. They pored over Family Albums with horn-rimmed spectacles. They peeled potatoes. They asked strings of questions. They set themselves the study of the village and went about it with determination.

Only the village carpenter and joiner complained that, when the American Engineers left, all gates and locks and window frames were without need of any more repair. So they departed for the coast of France, where they are said to have paid heavily for landing. Those who survived have now gone far and fast with Patton's men. Now that they've reached the goal, it is but fair to them and to the States to record that the first place they stormed was in South Hants.

The verdict of this village deserves record. Less easily impressed than modern towns, a village has the longer memory, and recognises friends on their return. Hitherto ignorant of U.S.A., this cluster of Hampshire homes speaks often of their handy guests from the Middle West, and has learnt real respect towards Old Glory.

Tubby.

An Albert Hall Concert

A Concert is to take place on Tuesday, November 13, in aid of the Toc H Services Fund, at the Royal Albert Hall. London, when the London Philharmonic Orchestra will be conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent and Moiseiwitsch will be the soloist. Details early in October from Mrs. Jean M. Shaw, 47, Francis Street, S.W.1.

THE MAIN RESOLUTION OF TOC H

When the Royal Charter of Toc H was granted in 1922 it was felt by some that its statement of the 'Objects' of the movement laid far too little stress on the Christian basis and aim of Toc H. The agenda of a Conference held in London on December, 16, 1922, at the first Birthday Festival, therefore contained, among various resolutions, one entitled 'The Main Resolution,' setting out the Christian pledge of Toc H in challenging terms. This was unanimously adopted, all present solemnly standing. It was ratified by the Central Council, the governing body of Toc H, in April, 1923 and April, 1924, that is until the Royal Charter had been amended by the Privy Council so as to make the 'Objects' more clearly Christian. The Main Resolution still stands at the heart of Toc H. Here Padre DONALD Amos, of the South Wales Area, analyses its terms in some detail.

"A NY stigma," said Dean Inge, "is good enough to beat a dogma." When one has to be brief concerning great doctrines, it is hard to avoid the charge of dogmatism. This article represents a personal point of view; the exposition of that view-point is perforce incomplete, but that does not matter. The intention is to provide an incentive, and possibly some guidance, to a re-investigation of a great treasury of Toc H. Regard it, if you will, as notes for a series of discussions. The central theme is the aim and purpose of Toc H.

The Main Resolution is best studied alongside the so-called Points of the Compass, the Too H Prayer, and the Ceremony of Light. None of these is truly significant apart from the Gospel and the fundamental teaching of the Whole Church. The one great "Toc H job" is not the special preserve of Toc H; namely, to work for God's Rule in the hearts of men and in their wills.

There are men so keen to act that they are impatient of words. We need our men of action. But let us not under-estimate the importance of words. Thought, word, and deed are partners, not opponents, in the most They who framed the effective behaviour. Main Resolution took prayerful pains with the wording. The result stands as a crystallisation of the aims of Toc H which can never be bettered. But thought must go out to meet their thought; otherwise the full beauty of their work may be obscured through its very artistry, in which not a syllable nor a punctuation-mark is without significance.

Christian Creeds express bare essentials,

without commentary. They are strongly concentrated; fit matter for hard thinking and deep meditation. They are also intended for frequent reference and repetition. I do not mean "vain repetition," but healthy habit-forming exercise, comparable to daily dozen, arms drill, or multiplication tables: learning by rote and also by heart.

Crepo is intensely personal: "I believe." But it binds believers together in a fellowship. It is the stated basis of a common inspiration, implying a common purpose. Moreover, it is an antedote to wrong-headedness, a touchstone of sincerity discovered by men who have worked together in humility close to God.

The Text of the Resolution

While in no sense a substitute for the great creeds of the Church, the Main Resolution may be regarded as a working creed of Toc H. Only those ideas and activities having a sure foundation on the Main Resolution are truly "Toc H." The field is wide enough! And as a "working creed" we should, surely, use the Main Resolution—with reverence, with boldness, and often.

Here, before we proceed to our analysis, is the Main Resolution in the beauty of wholeness:

REMEMBERING with gratitude how God used the Old House to bring home to multitudes of men that behind the ebb and flow of things temporal stand the eternal realities; and to send them forth strengthened to fight at all costs for the setting up of His Kingdom upon earth, WE PLEDGE OUR-SELVES TO STRIVE :-

To listen now and always for the Voice of God; To know His will revealed in Christ, and to do it fearlessly, reckoning nothing of the world's opinion or its successes for ourselves or this our To think fairly, to love widely, to witness humbly, to build bravely.

It will be seen that the Main Resolution consists of two parts, and that these two parts are re-presented in the Ceremony of Light. First, we remember how God has worked (and is still working) through certain men: "With proud thanksgiving let us remember our Elder Brethren." Consequently, we accept a challenge, pledge ourselves to action: "Let your light so shine before men that... they may glorify our Father."

Looking back on what has happened, we see God in it. Magic is illusive, transitory, trumpery; miracles are real. "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes." The memory itself is a challenge. We cannot let *Them* down; we cannot let *Him* down Who sustained them. Day-dreams may be wishful thinking; vision is real. So the pledge for the living future springs spontaneously from the vision of the living past.

The Pledge is tremendous, but not (as some, being deceived, have said) too terrific for fallible men. God is the King, and He is also the King-bolt; He is the Potentate, and also the Power to carry on. He demands the limit: He has given Himself, utterly.

With proud humility we make our pledge: "Remembering , we pledge ourselves to strive bravely."

Analysis of the Pledge

The pledge is also a challenge. It is concerned with the future, and with the present which belongs to the future. It calls men to be fully men. The call to the first Group of all was "Follow Me." The call to Toc H, in our modern world with up-to-the-minute problems and all the rest of it, is and always will be "Follow Me." We are called of God, We pledge ourselves to Him. However dim our vision of that solemn truth may be, it is nevertheless the truth.

To Strive

"We Plenge Ourselves to Strive—"We are but men. But we are men. Human and prone to failure, we dare not pledge ourselves to accomplishment. God alone can say "It is finished." But we can, and must, pledge our-

selves to accomplishment. God alone can say "It is finished." But we can, and must, pledge ourselves to strive to accomplish. Disowning discouragement, knowing the limitations of our strength, trusting in the boundlessness of our Strength, we will strive. Poor Peter! He came an awful cropper. "But Lord," he said, "you know all about me. You know what a cowardly ass I am. But you know too, that I love you." Strive. Not try it out once or twice. Keep on keeping on, never minding the muck and the bruises of our own blunderings. Therein, under God, lies the greatness of Everyman.

And shall we note, please, that "colon dash" (:—) which carries "strive" to all that follows? It makes such a difference, and it was not put there by accident!

The Voice of God

" To Strive to Listen now and always for THE VOICE OF GOD ": Strictly, we can only strive against the distractions which will not let us listen, by developing the habit of inward quiet. Noise is a major evil of our own day. So many people are scared stiff of silence. And there is a spiritual counterpart of this: noise of soul, hot-and-botheredness. The Peace of God passeth understanding; i.e. goes beyond unaided intellect. After the whirlwind of arguments and the carthquake of indignations, the "still small voice"; and then sweet reasonableness has a real chance to do something. "Be still, and know that I am God."

But let me be sure that it is God's voice, and not my own, that I hear. Conscience, pace Jimminy Cricket, is a grand but also a tricky thing. It has to go to school, like intellect or emotion or any other human ability. Let us watch and pray. We are a family. My brother must be the keeper of his own conscience; but even in this we can humbly help one another. Tact is a working part of true friendship.

His Will

"To Strive to Know His Will": The riddle of the Universe cannot be solved on a postcard. If I knew my Bible really and thoroughly; if I knew what the Church tries to

teach me; if I knew all the sciences and were expert in all the arts; then doubtless I should be very learned, and I might be very wise. But I should not know the Will of God. I can only *strive* to know His will, in those practical matters wherein I am called to play my part.

Let us remember that God has chosen to work and to reveal l-limself in man, and through men. The revelation of God's will is not dictated to a shorthand typist, once and for all. It involves continuous effort on the part of men as His agents. Therefore beware of the man who knows all the answers, the cure-all quack and the short-cut merchant. Similarly, interpretation of revelation has its human as well as its divine side. It is seldom complete, and often misread.

Let each man go as far as he can, and keep on going when he has got there. Let us help one another brotherly in this tremendous undertaking, neither forsaking the stumbler, nor keeping back the scholarship boy because other lads in the class have mis-spelt "believe." Let us, each and together, strive to know God's will for us, each and together.

In Christ

"REVEALED IN CHRIST": Toc H was, is, and must remain:—(1) a religious movement (2) definitely Christian (3) actively Christian and if need be, (4) aggressively Christian. Arguments to the contrary may be amusing, but they are certainly futile: the fact is basic. The history of the Movement from the first shows this clearly. The Main Resolution "was designed to keep Toc H, as it grew, as clearly Christian as when it began."

Then why Toc H? There are many churches, many societies. Why not "leave it to George?" The reply is not easy. Have the churches failed? Who said so? The man who never gave them a hand. Do they fall short of the mark? Yes; men being fallible, in or out of Toc H. Jack Horner is a sorry spectacle.

It is suggested that Toc H's special contribution lies in its method of approach rather than in its ultimate purpose.

One method. Come to God, get to know

Him, and to see His will as your duty. Then you will see all men as your brothers.

Another method. Through friendliness to friendship, expressing itself in service with and for others. Growing to love men and not merely mankind. So seeing your duty as God's will, seeing God in man, and finally finding Him your friend, just as Bill and Tom are your friends, only more so. (This is poorly put. The poverty is mine. The glory is God's, and I know why I am in Toc H.).

God Himself does not Jorce men to Him: and the uncompromising Christianity of Toc H is not to be expressed in any kind of religious test for membership. Many a man is seeking God without knowing what or Whom he seeks. If he finds something here to satisfy his unrecognised hunger, if he is prepared to work with men whose ideas of Jesus go further than his own, and to accept the risk of having his own point of view changed in consequence—then he has heard at least an echo of the call "Follow Me." Let us adventure together. Toc H is no safety-first club. God works in many ways, and by unexpected agencies.

Fearlessly-Reckoning Nothing

"AND TO STRIVE TO DO GOD'S WILL FEAR-LESSLY"... in any setting whatsoever: public or personal, family or business; national, international; church, club or pub.

"RECKONING NOTHING FOR OURSELVES" as individuals, "OR FOR THIS OUR FAMILY" of Toc H—a hard saying!—"OF THE WORLD'S OPINION OR OF THE WORLD'S SUCCESSES." We cannot help feeling a little proud when people turn to us as trustworthy. Such a reputation in the eyes of the public is worth preserving. The point is, that right is right, even when unpopular. Vox populi is not always vox Dei. We have committed ourselves to listen for the voice of God, to the best of our ability. But God preserve us from being priggish about it.

There is no resting on oars or on laurels, either. God's reward for a job well done is often a harder job to tackle. To the man who does well in the matter of ten

talents He gives the thankless task of responsibility for ten cities.

Four Points

"And towards that end to Strive" (always the sustained effort, always the same goal) to do four things, namely:—

(1) TO STRIVE TO THINK FAIRLY; (2) TO STRIVE TO LOVE WIDELY; (3) TO STRIVE TO WITNESS HUMBLY; (4) TO STRIVE TO BUILD BRAVELY.

These four points are probably the most-discussed topics in Toc H meetings, and cannot here receive the fuller treatment they merit. In conclusion, however, it may be of interest to notice how completely they cover the field of human conduct. Very briefly, then:—

1. THINK FAIRLY. Psychologically, "Cognition." Covering thought, impressions, imagination, mental creativeness, etc. How we see things and people.

2. Love Widely. Psychologically, "Affec-

tion." Covering emotions, etc. How we feel about things and events and people.

3. WITNESS HUMBLY. Psychologically, "Conation." Will, etc. Our impulses to act or to refrain from action. The hidden springs— "His Kingdom in the Wills of men."

4. Build Brayely. Psychologically, "Behaviour." Summarising the whole for action in terms of service.

In all cases but (3) above, the adverb expands the verb. In (3), our witness must be humble; not mock-modest, but seeing ourselves in proper perspective. Since the great temptation of an advocate is to overstatement, the adverb here puts the brake on the verb. Witness humbly. We are unprofitable servants.

"Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify" not me, not even Toe H, but "your Father which is in Heaven."

DONALD AMOS.

LIGHTS ON TOC H: V.—Building a New Unit

Of six papers, already circulated to a few in typed form, by Herbert Leggare, Administrative Padre, two were printed here in July, two in August and another follows below. The last, 'Concerning the Johnaster,' will appear next month.

A FTER the war, units of Toc H will spring up in different ways. Sometimes they will start because one man has become interested in Toc H. Sometimes they will start because a little circle of friends has become interested in Toc H. In other cases those who have worked with Toc H men and women (perhaps in a Services Club), or who have been helped by Toc H, will wish to know more about it. In other cases parsons will see in Toc H some hope of getting things done that they can get done in no other way. Whatever way they begin, there are certain things that are necessary to success.

Whether the original move comes from one man or from a group, before anything else is done the first step is to gather all the information about Toc H and its methods that is possible. Information can be obtained from the Regional Headquarters. If the address of this is not known, a letter to the Membership Secretary at 47, Francis Street,

London, S.W.r will bring the necessary information. In time, literature will be sent and, if possible, personal contact made by some member of Toc H. Experience has taught that the early stages in the life of a unit are most important. If mistakes are made then, it is difficult to correct them later. I will outline some things which are important.

r. The time will come when a meeting of some kind will be held to make known the fact that a unit of Toc H is about to be formed. Whatever form that meeting may take, its sponsors must, by their preliminary work, ensure that there will be present a cross-section of the community in which it is proposed to build the unit. This nucleus should be hand-picked. Each one of them should have been infected with the spirit of Toc H before the meeting is held. They should share such literature as is available. The mixture

should include people of different ages, people of different churches and of no church, people of different political parties and of no party, professional men and artisans, men who are comfortably situated and men who have few of this world's If there are feuds or conflicts within the community, representative men should be sought from each faction. All this means work. Communities differ and in some not all these sections can be found. But, whatever the community, a crosssection should be sought. The Family is to be built in the presence of the things that divide. This is the only kind of Too H Family that is true to type.

Usually when the mixture has been gathered, a more general invitation can be given to an inaugural meeting. If it is possible the invitation should be to some sort of a meal rather than to a meeting. During this gathering the purpose of Toc H must be explained and arrangements made for the following meeting at which the building will begin in carnest.

- 2. It is worth saying that it is not a good thing for the parson to be the person to make the first beginnings. There is room for parsons in Toc H. Toc H wants and needs them. They can give help which will be needed when they have been absorbed into the Family. Toc H will also be good for them. It will treat them first as men and will be all the more receptive as a result.
- 3. The earlier meetings ought to be concerned with the history, purpose and spirit of the Movement, rather than with its organisation. Guidance will be given about these things by whoever is made responsible for the new beginning by Regional Headquarters.
- 4. Meetings should be held on neutral ground. It is not wise to meet in a church hall or parsonage or the headquarters of a political party. Such meeting places may make some suspicious who would otherwise be ready to join the first company. A private house may, at first, be the only place available but a separate

room should be found as soon as possible. It is better that the meeting place should be easily accessible and easily found, since Toc H men like to visit units when they are away from home. Anything that hosts can do to promote the convenience of their guests should be done.

- 5. From the beginning costs should be shared. Each man should give according to his ability and care should be taken to prevent self-consciousness about the giving. At a later stage, members will be encouraged to make a self-assessment which will be paid to the keeper of the purse. This will be for unit costs and for the wider needs of the Family. Until that stage is reached, the embryo-Group should pay its way from week to week.
- 6. One of the objects of the earlier meetings is that those who gather should get to know each other. A meal of some kind will make for informality, but it should be kept simple lest the cost should be a deterrent to those who have little money.
- 7. The Region or District will make someone responsible for every new venture and he will be guide, philosopher and friend. From him information can be obtained about subjects to be discussed in the first few meetings. He also will advise when the unit is ready to apply for official recognition as a Group. If weekly meetings have been held, this ought not to take longer than three months. By this time the prospective members ought to have a good general knowledge of the history, work and symbolism of Toc H. They ought also to know and appreciate each other.
- 8. Some record ought to be kept of each meeting. This record should not, of course, be in the form of Minutes. It should rather be a chronicle such as might be sent in a letter to someone in order to pass on to him the spirit of the gathering and some idea of the people present. Humour will creep in if the spirit is healthy. When these first beginnings have developed into a strong Branch, these early accounts will be greatly treasured.

THE ELDER BRETHREN

Berat.—On July 2, ALIDA BERAT, for twelve years (1929-41) Steward, with her late husband, René, of Talbot House, Poperinghe (See notice below).

Bowen.—On May 4, WILLIAM Bowen, aged 47, Treasurer of Crosby Group.

CLARKE.—On August 4, in Egypt, R. G. C. CLARKE, Treasurer of Alexandria Circle, aged 57. Elected 14.4.'42.

CORLETT.—On July 30, D. S. CORLETT, late Johnster of Seaton Branch. Elected 12.1.'42.

Dearden.—On July 28, Charles Dearden, aged 58, for fourteen years resident Steward at Toc H Headquarters, London (see notice below).

DEER.—In August, John Jenkin Deer, a member of the South Western Area Branch. Elected 14.6.'37.

Evans.—In hospital at Calcutta in July, HARRY Evans, a member of Treorchy Branch. Elected 11.4.'35.

FULCHER.—On July 29, E. H. FULCHER, Captain, M.N., a general member, well-known to Woodford Branch. Elected 10.2.'32.

HICKMAN.—In August, 1944, as a prisoner of war in the Phillipines, WILLIAM HERBERT HICKMAN, a member of Arnold and Daybrook Branch.

Holdom.—On October 3, 1943, as a prisoner of war in Thailand, Leonard Holdom, Norfolk Regt., a member of Cromer Branch. Elected 1.9.'36.

Horn.—On July 14, George T. Horn, aged 89, a member of Croydon Branch. Elected 13.2.'39.

PYM.—On July 20, the Rev. Thomas Wentworth Pym, D.S.O., Hon. Canon of Bristol Cathedral, an Hon. Association Padre of Toc H. Elected January, 1924.

SEAWARD.—In August, Basil Everard Seaward, aged 70, a South Western Area General member, attached to Seaton Branch. Elected 14.3.'39.

STAMP.—On October 1, 1944, the Rev. Archibald George Cunningham STAMP, aged 65. Elected from the Padres' Fellowship, January, 1925.

WILD.—In an accident on January 7, J. WILD, Sergt., R.A.F., a member of Catterick Branch.

In Memoriam: Alida Berat

When Toc II was seeking a Belgian couple to take charge of the Old House at Poperinghe, Lord Wakefield's gift in 1929, René Bérat and his wife, Alida, were warmly recommended by Alec Paterson, who had been billetted in their little house in the Rue d'Ypres during the last war. The whole family of Toc II has cause to be thankful for this choice. Paul Slessor, Secretary of the Old House Committee, writes:—

"Just over a year ago we heard that René Bérat had passed over, before he saw the de-liverance of Talbot House from enemy hands, and now his devoted wife and companion, Alida, has joined him. Always cheerful, always of good heart and with an innate belief in the goodness of God, this great little lady was good to meet; it was an honour to know her. For twelve years, from the time the Old House came back to Toc H until 1941, when the Germans took possession, René and Alida kept it in spotless order, had a smile of welcome for all the thousands who visited it, and grew to love and understand Too H and its aims and methods. Her quaint English and her warm greeting and God-speed will be sadly missed by all those who had the fortune to know her. Since 1941 she had rooms in the Convent du Sacré Coeur in Poperinghe, where she was comfortable and well looked after. She always longed to go back to the Old House but knew she was no longer strong enough to do so. 'Well done, good and faithful servant.'

Charles Dearden

Thousands of members from home and overseas and visitors of all kinds had their first word by telephone or on entering Headquarters in Francis Street with 'Charlie,' who presided long hours every day over the Reception Office. An old Royal Navy man, he was proud to keep our shabby old building as shipshape as he could, and he had a cheerful greeting and ready help for every enquirer. His last days were clouded by weary and painful illness. To Mrs. Dearden and their two daughters, who have lived at Headquarters and been the friends of all the staff, we express our most sincere sympathy.

ADVENTURES OF A RUSHLIGHT

NE of the pictures of our frontispiece shows the Toc II Services Club at Goettingen, a famous German university town. The building stands at the entrance to the municipal park (Stadtpark). We have also received the picture of another of the clubs in Germany, at Lübbecke in Westphalia. It is a pleasant, long, low building, a typical German country hotel, the Holland-Moritz Hotel until we took it over. Alec Maun, throughout the war, a voluntary member of the staff at St. Stephen's Club, while he was serving in the Irish Guards band, is in charge. He took the St. Stephen's tradition of a Tuesday Toc H meeting with him, holding the first one in Lübbecke as soon as he arrived and three weeks before the canteen opened. He reports an average attendance of fifteen, with about five members among them, but believes the

Circle will be "very strong before we wind up here." Of the Rushlight now used by this Circle (to replace a wooden one brought from the Antwerp Club) he has a strange story to tell:

"Lieut. Szilagyi, who before the war was Secretary of Rotterdam Group, came to see me this morning (August 4), bringing with him the Rushlight which had been used by Rotterdam Group in peace-time. On the disbandment of the Group at the outbreak of war, the Rushlight had been buried out of reach of the Germans. A Russian named Abrahamov, a member of Rotterdam, recovered it and handed it to Lieut. Szilagyi as Secretary, who in turn handed it to me. This Rushlight was originally held by Oldham, Lancs. With H.Q.'s kind permission I would be delighted to use it here in Lübbecke for our weekly meetings."

From Lancashire via the Dutch "Underground" to Germany is a new route for the light of Toc H!

LIFE IN THE OLD HOUSE

TALBOT House is no longer in use as a Services Club. Last December it was overcrowded with troops, and then for a period served as an ideal centre for Chaplains' retreats and quiet days. Poperinghe now lies far behind the main body of the British Army of the Rhine, but still receives many visitors.

Langford Duncan has succeeded, as Warden, Father Stephen (Steve Lambert), who has come home to help Tubby on Tower Hill. In July, before he left, Steve wrote:

"We still get a lot of visitors here as there are many troops still in Belgium with very little to do, so parties are often arranged to visit the last war battlefields. Two parties come every week from the R.A.S.C. Depot at Ostend, and after being shown round by their Padre have tea here and end up with a short service in the Upper Room, when the significance of the louse is explained to them. We also get visits from the Hospitals and Convalescent Depots on the coast and the Reinforcement holding units.

(The convalescent parties are organised by Ted Regan from the De Haan Services Club, with great enthusiasm).

On Saturday there were great festivities in the town and a great procession and pageant depicting the events of the last few years. Each street had arranged its own item, of which there were

57, in a procession which wound its way with much merriment and noise round the narrow streets after passing the Burgomaster on a platform in the Grand Place. A distinguished General happened to be with us, visiting the grave of a nephew buried near-by, so we were invited to join the Burgomaster on his platform and had a perfect view. This was the first great outdoor pageant which it has been possible to hold in Poperinghe for many years, and gave a very vivid impression of what these people have been through. Owing to the political situation similar pageants in other parts of the country. were cancelled.

On the following day we had a children's party for 38 little girls from a Franciscan Convent nearby. After games and tea in the garden, we showed them round the house, and in the Chapel the two sisters led them in a very moving Litany for the souls of the Elder Brethren.

We have had two working parties of R.E.'s and ex Ack Ack Gunners staying with us for the past month, and building a splendid greenhouse to replace the one destroyed during the occupation, and putting the garden, drainage, etc., in order. In addition a good many jobs have been done by Civil Labour under R.E. supervision, so the Old House is now in pretty good order thanks to the good will of the Army Authorities and of our Belgian friends."

Major Archie Brown, Town Mayor of Ypres, is ready, as he says, "at all times to watch and preserve the interests of Toc H."

With Proud Thanksgiving

Let its remember these our Elder Brethren, fellow-members of the Family of Toc H, nearly four hundred in number, who gave their lives in scruing the cause of Freedom during

six years of War, 1939-1945.

Of all ranks and conditions, they died on every front of battle, by sea and land and air, some very far away and some at home. Some fell in action with the enemy, or died on active service through wounds, sickness or accident. Some, as civilians, perished in the defence of their neighbours. Some, as Prisoners of War, found deliverance only in death.

They gave their bodies to every ocean, to the sands of the desert, to the jungle, to the mountains and the ruins of fields and cities; they fell from the skies. They knew heat and cold, tempest and flame, hardness and pain and the ultimate agony of passing. But their true selves did not perish; they live and learn to serve in another country where their King and ours reigns perpetually in light and love and peace.

We are their debtors, to continue their work.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

This List is known to be incomplete and the Editor would be grateful to receive any additions or corrections in order that a Roll of the Elder Brethren of the War may eventually be compiled. In a number of cases full christian names, dates and the member's Service are missing. The member's Toc H unit is given in brackets, the month and year of death, and initials indicating the nature of his service as follows:—R.N.—Royal Navy; A—Army; A.I.F—Australian Imperial Force; R.A.F.—Royal Air Force; R.C.A.F.—R. Canadian Air Force; R.A.A.F.—R. Australian Air Force; S.A.A.F.—Royal Air Force; R.C.A.F.—R. Canadian Air Force; R.A.A.F.—R. Australian Air Force; S.A.A.F.—Royal Air Force; S.A.A.F.—Royal Air Force; S.A.A.F.—Royal Air Force; R.C.A.F.—Royal Air Force; S.A.A.F.—Royal Air Force; —South African Air Porce; M.N.—Merchant Navy; P.O.W.—Prisoner of War; H.G.—Home Guard; C.D.—Civil Defence (including A.R.P., N.F.S. and Fire-watchers); C.C.—Civilian air-raid Casualties.

GORDON (MARK) ADAMS, R.A.F. (Eastbourne). April, '44.

STANLEY GEORGE ALEXANDER, A. (Teibury). Sept. '44.

FRANK THOMAS ALLCOCK, R.A.F. (Selby). Dec.

C. A. Allen, R.A.F. (Mark VII). Sept. '44. WILLIAM HENRY JAMES ALLEN, A. (Jerusalem).

NATHANIEL HENRY ALMY, A. (Barrow-on-Soar). . Oct. '44.

Lord APSLEY, A. (General). Dec. '42.

EDWARD ROLFE ARNOLD, R.A.F. (Leatherhead). March '41.

JOSEPH ASHCROFT, A. (New Delhi). June '44. РНЦІР S. G. ASHHURST, A. (Knotty Ash). March '44.

Peter Atherton, A. (Wigan). Sept. '43.

LESLIE CLIFFORD ATKINSON, A. (St. George's Services). 1944.

STANLEY ATKINSON, A. (Thornton Heath). 1945. Douglas E. Ayre, (Louth). Feb. '43.

RONALD BALL, (Poplar). 1943.

BRIAN THOMAS BALLINGER, (Pitchcombe). Jan.

JOHN BANTON. (General). Jan. '43. FRANCIS BARCHARD, R.N. (Services). Nov. '41. WILLIAM BARKE, C.D. (Sandown). Sept. '41.

SYDNEY JAMES BARNES, R.A.F. (Greenford). June '43.

WILLIAM T. BARNES, R.A.A.F. (Launceston, Tas.)

COLIN BARNFORTH, (Ponders End). 1943. ARCHIBALD EDWARD BARTLEY, R.N. (Portsmouth).

May '41. RONALD ERNEST BARRETT, A. (Bellingham). 1944.

H. BEADMAN, A. (Appleby). May '44.

ARTHUR BEAUMONT, R.A.F. (N. Suburbs, Buenos Aires)

EDWARD BECKLEY, R.N. (New Whittington).

HAROLD E. BEESLEY, P.O.W. (Stalag VIII B). March '45.

NORMAN R. BELL, R.A.F. (Bolton). Dec. '43. Lord HUGH DE LA POER BERESFORD, R.N. (Services). May '41.

EDWARD BIZLEY, R.N. (Swindon). 1942.

RICHARD RAYMOND BODDEN, R.A.F. (Ramleh). June '40.

BASH, EDWARD BONHAM-CARTER, A. (Hminster). Nov. '40.

GEORGE A. BONNER, R.A.F. (Buenos Aires). GEORGE BORSBERRY, R.N. (Services). May '40. PHILIP BOTHAM, R.A.F. (Habaniya). May '44. SIDNEY JACK HOYLAND BOURTON, R.A.F. (Den-

mark Hill), 1941.

SIDNEY BRAMLEY, R.N. (New Whittington). 1943. MARSHALL BRANDRETH, R.A.F. (Welwyn). Jan. 41.

JACK BRINKWORTH, A. (Exeter). March '41. ROLLO SINCLAIR BROOKE, R.N. (Tunbridge Wells). May '42.

PETER JACKSON BROWN, A. (Weymouth). June

VINCENT CYRIL BROWN, A. (Sawley). Nov. '44. CAMPBELL HOWARD BUCHANAN, R.N.Z.N. (N.Z.).

lan. '43. R. G. C. BURNARD, A. (Ilminster). April '44. FRANCIS EDWARD BYE, B.E.L.R.A. April '41.

ARTHUR H. BYWATER, R.A.F. (Banbury). March '43.

ARTHUR CAIRNS, (Walton and Dogsthorpe). Feb. '44.

JOSEPH HENRY CANNON, R.N. (Stourbridge). ERNEST CHADWICK, (West Croydon). 1943. ROBERT KENNETH CHAMBERS, R.N. (Dunfermline). 1943. ERIC DALE CHAPMAN, A. July '44. LEONARD CHEESEMAN, (High Brooms). 1943. DOUGLAS E. V. CHISHOLM, A. May '40. G. F. CHORLEY, P.O.W. March '42. NORMAN GEORGE CLARKE, (Bideford). Sept. '42. ROBERT ALFRED CLARKE, A. (Llanishen). '44. WILLIAM ROBERT CLAYTON, R.A.F. (West Ham). June '44. HUGH WYNSTON CLELAND, R.A.F. (Norwich). Jan. '43. FREDERICK GEORGE CLIFFORD, (Corsham). June S. J. COLLETT, (Wells). June '44. WILFRED DOUGLAS COOK, C.C. (Eltham). 1940. A. E. COTRELL, R.N. (Ryde). May '41. DAVID STRANG COUTTS, R.A.F. (Perth), 1943. ALEXANDER CRAWFORD, A. (Mitcham), April '43, ALEX O. CROOKSHANK, R.N. (Westbourne), Aug. '42. JOHN CUNNINGHAM, R.A.F. (Epsom). Aug. '43. MAURICE CURTIS. (Calcutta). 1942. JOSEPH WILLIAM DAVIDSON, R.A.F. (Basra). July CHARLES J. DAVIS, R.N. (Services). 1942. CONSETT DAVIS, R.A.A.F. (Sydney). 1944 JOHN DARVEY DAVIS, R.A.F. (Cosham), Oct. '41. Rev. LINDSAY VINCENT DAVIES, C.D. (Mark XX). Oct. '41. R. J. DAW, R.N. (Services). 1940. WILLIAM WALTER DAWSON, R.A.F. (Kendal). 1943. LEONARD DAY, R.A.F. (S. Paddington), July '42. THOMAS DEAN, R.A.F. (Rochester), July '42. Sydney Dear, A. (Wembley), Nov. '43. JOHN SPENCER DEBENHAM, R.A.F. (Farnham). Dec. '40. ROBERT GORDON DENVER, R.A.F. (Services). 1941. ARTHUR DEPOIX, (Alton). 1943. J. B. DEVITT, A. (Chelmsford). April '42. HERBERT DEWEY, C.C. (Ryde). May '42. PETER DICKINSON, R.N. (Sherston). 1943. EDGAR BENTLEY DIXON, R.N. (Ealing). Jan. '44. D. F. DOBSON, R.A.F. (Khormaksar). July '42. FRANK CREIGHTON DODD, R.A.F. (Ambleside). Aug. '41.
LEN. H. DOST, A.I.F. (Adelaide). 1943.
HUGH DOUGAN, (Greenock). May '41.
ERNEST EDWARD DOWSE, R.A.F. (Grimsby). Sept. '41. R. Duke, R.A.F. (Kimberworth). 1942. ROBERT WALTER DUKE, R.A.F. 1941. ALEXANDER H. DUNCAN, A. (Thornton Heath). June '44. A. A. T. Dunmore, A. (Bozeat). Aug. '44. IVAN PETER DUNBURY, A. (Margate). 1943. ROBERT R. K. EDWARDS, A. (Rainham). May '40. CYRIL EELES, R.N. (Avlesbury). Aug. '41. EDWARD HALLRED HUGH ELLIOTT, C.C. (General). Feb. '44. Rev. CECIL R. W. ELLIS, R.A.F. (Ellesmere Port), Jan. '44.

ARTHUR DEAKIN ETESON, A. (Seaton). 1944.

R. V. ETHEREDGE, P.O.W. (Durban). 1945.

THOMAS REGINALD EVANS, R.A.F. (Keighley). May '44. W. E. H. Evans, R.N. (Swindon). 1940. EVANS-GWYN, P.O.W. (Treorchy). Nov. '43. HARRY EVANS, A. (Treorchy). July '45. EDWARD FABIAN, (Shanghai). April '41. ALBERT RICHARD C. FARLEY, A. (Teignmouth). Oct. '44. ALBERT J. FARROW, R.N. (Wellingborough). Oct. '42. E. ARNOLD FERRISS, R.N. (Old Portsmouth). April '42. THOMAS FIELDING, R.A.A.F. (Tasmania). June JOHN NICHOLAS FLINT, (Sydney, Australia). 1942. TIMOTHY GEORGE FOSTER-PEGGE, (Tower Hill). Aug. '42. ROBERT FOWLER, R.A.F. (West Drayton). June '43. E. H. FULCHER, M.N. (Woodford). July '45. W. GARDENER, A. (Canterbury). 1 JOHN GARDNER, R.A.F. Sept. '44.
JOHN ROBERT GARROD, H.G. (Whitstable). Nov. FRANK WILLIAM GARWOOD, C.D. (Upminster). Feb. '44. CYRL H. GILES, R.N. (Faversham). Dec. '42. ALFRED HENRY GILL, A. (Consett). Nov. '44. R. E. GINDER, R.A.F. (Halton). Dec. '39. EDWARD GOSS, A. (Services). May, 1940. COLIN GRAVESTOCK, A. (Harpenden). Oct. '42. STANLEY ELON GREENSLADE, A. (Honiton). May '40. RONALD CHARLES GRIFFIN, R.N. (Wells). Dec. 119 ARTHUR GRIFFITHS, A. (Clifton). May '45. F. C. HALDIN, A. (Croydon). 1942. GEORGE HAMES, (Rodbourne Cheyney). 1942 JOHN HANDS, R.A.F. (Wolverton). July '44. KENNETH POWELL HARDY, A. (Portsmouth). Dec. LESLIE HARPER, A. (Largs). July '43. DAVID A. HART, R.A.F. (Brighton). March '43. FRED HASELTINE, P.O.W. (Stalag 344). 1945. W. A. HARRISON, R.N. (Services). Nov. '41. FRANK HARROD, A. (Sliema). April '42. ERIC JOHN HAWKINS, A. (Ashby-de-la-Zouche). Jan. '45. JOHN ANDREW HAYDEN, A. (Init. Alamein). Sept. '44. THOMAS L. HAYSTON, R.A.F. (Northern Area). Aug. '41.
PATRICK A. HEANEY, A. (Mark VII). 1944. JOHN HEDGES, H.G. (Sunbury-on-Thames). Nov. LESLIE HELPS, A. (S. America). July '43. HENRY HERBERT, A. (Aston Manor). Oct. '44. WILLIAM HERBERT HICKMAN, P.O.W. (Arnold and Daybrook). Aug. '44. GEOFFREY HICKS, (Croydon). March '43. H. J. C. HILL, A. (Derby). July '43.

JAMES ANDERSON PITCAIRN HILL, R.A.F. (Services). Sept. '40. ROBERT J. HILL, R.A.F. (Bahia Blanca). March DOUGLAS A. HINE, R.A.F. (Lomas, Buenos Aires). STEPHEN HIRSCHTRITT, (Richmond, Yorks). 1943. ROBERT HIRST, (Mark I). Oct. '41. 141

KENNETH CHARLES HOAD, R.A.F. (Bexhill). JAMES HAMMOND HOARE-SCOTT, R.A.F. Nov. '40. ARTHUR HOBBS, (Mark II). 1942. FRANK HOBDEN, R.N. (Toubridge). 1940. RONALD HOCKIN, C.C. (Dartmouth). Feb. '43. H. HODGES, R.A.F. (North Harrow). April '42. LESLIE CHARLES STEWART HOILE, R.N. (Plymouth). 1942. LEONARD HOLDOM, P.O.W. (Cromer). Oct, '43. W. HOLLWEY, A. (Horsham). March '43. GEOFFREY HOLMES, (Wakefield). May '42. JOHN DEREK HORNE, A. (Services). Aug. '44. H. H. HOWARTH, P.O.W. June '43. BASIL B. W. HOWE, R.A.F. 1943. EDMUND HOWE-SMITH, R.N. (Spalding). 1943. FRANK J. HUDSON, R.A.F. (Norwood). 1943. JOHN P. HUNT, R.N. (Services). 1945. July '45. CECIL H. HUTCHINGS, H.G. (Cosham). J. F. HUTTON, A. (Kimberworth). 1942. WILLIAM CHARLES HUNTABLE, A. (St. Thomas, Exeter). 1943. WILLIAM D. INGRAM, C.D. (Goffs Oak). Aug. '44. JACK IRVINE, P.O.W. (Elsterhorst). 1944. A. J. JACKSON, R.A.F. (Services). April '43. W. M. JAGGER, R.N. April '40. IAN JAMIESON, (Paisley). Jan. '42 RAYMOND PERCY JEFFERY, A. (N. Harrow). Jan. ROY JENKINS, (Newport). July '44. BASIL JAMES JOHNSON, R.A.F. (Services). Oct. '40. KENNETH JOHNSON, A. (Walton and Dogsthorpe). Oct. '44. RONALD STUART JOHNSON, A. (Southampton). Aug. '44. ALBERT EDWARD JONES, R.N. (Hereford). Aug. '40. A. M. (SAM) JONES, R.N. (Bolsover). 1942. Frank Jones, A. (Ramsgate). May '41. HAYDYN JONES. R.A.F. (Seaton). Nov. '41. H. H. JONES, A. (Services). 1943. W. B. JULIAN, R.A.F. (Ripon). Aug. '43. FRANK KENNEDY, P.O.W. (S. Australia). 1943. H. J. (' MICKEY ') KENNEDY, A. (Services). June 41. H.R.H. THE DUKE OF KENT, R.A.F. (General). Aug. '42. ERIC W. KIFFORD, A. (Biggleswade). July '44. LEONARD KILMINSTER, C.C. (Bath). April '42. HAROLD CHRISTOPHER KING, R.A.F. (Godalming). Oct. '41. ALAN H. KNAPE, R.A.F. (Cheddar). 1941. DOUGLAS KRAMER, R.N. (Plymouth). May '42. J. F. LAKE, R.A.F. (Milford-on-Sea). 1942. GEORGE LAND, A. (Spalding). April '43. MAURICE P. LATTER, A. (Mark XV). Dec. '40. WILLIAM EDWARD LAVENDER, R.A.F. (Balsall Heath). Sept. '43. CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE, (Amersham). Nov. '42. PHINEAS JOHN LEA, R.A.F. (Mark I). July '41. HUGH LEDGERWOOD, R.A.F. (Mark I). Sept. '42. BERNARD LEDWITH, (Oswestry). 1943. WILLIAM LEE, A. (Heywood). March '48. Rev. Alan C. H. LEEKE, R.N. April '42. THOMAS BARKER LEIGH, P.O.W. (Stalag Luft III). May '44. CLIFFORD LILBURN, A. (Leicester). May '42. ALEC LOCKWOOD, A. (Paddock). July '44. RALPH POOK, C.C. (Highgate). 1941.

JOHN W. LOCKWOOD, R.A.F. (Altrincham). May RONALD LOMAX, R.A.F. (Spalding). Nov. '44.
T. W. LONGLEY, R.A.F. (Halton). 1940.
ALBERT HENRY LOVELL, (Exeter). Aug. '44.
FRANCIS HUGH LOVETT, A. (Mark I). Jan. '42.
HUGH P. LOWMAN, P.O.W. (Stalag Luft VI). April '45. John L. Luck, A. (Bethnal Green). Sept. '44. JAMES LUNTLEY, R.A.F. (Bournemouth), 1943. IAN A. MACGILL, H.G. (Ripon). May '42. THOMAS MACJANNET, A. (Walmer). 1942. D. J. MACPHERSON, R.A.F. (Invergordon). 1942. HENRY MALLINSON, A. (Huddersfield). Sept. '44. JACK MANN, R.A.F. (Scunthorpe). April '44. PERCY CLIFFORD MARKS, A. (Sandown). 1942. JOHN MARSTON, C.C. (Mark II). Sept. '40. CLEMENT MARTIN, R.A.F. (Hereford). March '43. DENYS P. MARTIN, R.A.F. (Quilmes, Buenos Aires). CARL VICTOR MASON, R.A.F. (Harehills). Aug. 444. W. F. Matthews, A. (Bovington). March '41. ARTHUR EDWARD MAYNARD, R.A.F. (Services). May '43. P. E. MEADOWS, R.N. (Reading). June '40. Frank Meredith, A. (Services). Feb. '43. CECIL MICHAEL, A. (Tooting). May '40. JOHN I. MIDDLETON, (Harborne). July '43. CHARLES J. MILLER, A. (Penzance). Nov. '42. PETER MILLER, R.A.F. (Bristol). June '43. GORDON MILROY, M.N. (Glasgow). Nov. '40. ALBERT MILLS, R.A.F. (Ponders End). 1942. NORMAN FRANCIS MITCHELL, A. (Bridgwater). June '44. DONALD ROBERT MOFFATT, A. (Ipswich). April '43. HAROLD MOHR-BELL, R.A.F. (Mark I). Oct. '41. PETER J. MOORE, R.A.F. (Wetherby). Oct '43. P. MORDECAL, A. (Buffs Circle). 1945. JOSEPH M. MORRISON, A. ('Blighty'). CYRIL MOUNTAIN, (York). 1944. EDDIE MYDDLETON, A. (Holyhead). Aug. '44. GORDON MYERS, A. (Ripon). Feb. '45. DENNIS NASH, R.A.F. (Services). 1944. RICHARD MORLEY NEALE, R.A.F. (Sherborne). March '41. ROGER FREDERICK NEWMAN, R.A.F. (Services). Feb. '41. WILLIAM JOHN NEWMAN, (Winchester). 1942. HARRY E. NICHOLS, A. (Heaton Moor). Dec. '44. LEONARD STEWART NOBLE, A. (Meerut). 1943. FRANCIS JAMES OTTERWAY, R.A.F. (Twickenham). Sept '40 KENNETH PARKER, A. (Hillsborough). March '43. B. O. D. PALMER, R.M. (Services). April '42. LEWIS ALFRED PALMER, H.G. (Whitstable). Nov. '44. GLYNNE PARSONS, A. (Rainsgate). Dec. '43. GEORGE GRAHAM PAUL, R.A.F. (Lomas, Buenos Aires). HENRY DOUGLAS PEAL, A. (Ealing). June '42. E. D. PILE, A. (Services). 1943. HERBERT PLAYFORTH, R.A.F. (Services). '41. HAROLD POLE, (Ilminster). Dec. '43.

Mark Henry T. Pope, P.O.W. (Hawkhurst). Leslie George Leopold Stubbs, R.A.F. (Harpen-May '43. F. R. Povey, R.A.F. (Slough). April '42. FREDERICK WILLIAM CHARLES PULLEN, A. (Guildford). July '42. JOSEPH R. PYPER, A. (Services). Feb. '42. LAWRENCE RACK, A. (Witbank, S. Africa). May ARTHUR EDWIN RAYNOR, A. (Hunstanton). June '44. ERIC DUGGAN REES. A. (Cheltennam). Dec. '44. JACK REYNOLDS, A. (Melton Mowbray). Sept. '44. PAUL RHODES, (Leeds). Nov. '42. SIDNEY JAMES RICE, (Okehampton). May '40. ROY RICHARDS, R.N. (Moseley). June '44. ARTHUR RICHARDSON, A. (Saffron Walden). Nov. '43. Frank H. Richardson, A. (Boston). Sept. '44. GUY RICHARDSON, A. (Tiptree). Dec. '44. A. S. RICKETTS, (Tunbridge Wells). Aug. 43. EDWARD HENRY RIDGEWELL, R.A.F. (Bicester). Aug. '41. Rev. DOUGLAS KENMUIRE ROBERTS, R.A.F. (Saffrom Walden). April '41. Frank Robins, A. (Services). 1942. HENRY CYRIL ROBINSON, R.A.F. (Services). March '42. R. J. ROGERS, C.C. (Cudham), 1942. DOUGLAS G. ROSS, R.A.F. (Bristol). June '41. PETER THOMAS ROTHWELL, R.N. (Services). Aug. CHRISTOPHER J. G. SALMON, M.N. (Hoddesdon). Oct. '43. ROBERT JOHN SAMSON, M.N. (Weymouth). Nov. C. R. SANDERS, R.A.F. (Argentine General). W. E. SANNON, R.A.F. (Banbury). 1944. E. F. SAUNDERS, (Services). May '42. WILLIAM ALIAN SCOTT, A. (Newburn). June '44. KENNETH JOSEPH SEABRIGHT, A. (Evesham). Dec. '41. W. E. Seckington, R.A.F. (Okehampton). HAROLD WILLIAM FRIMLEY SEMMENS, R.N. (Services). March '41. ALEXANDER GORDON SHAND, R.A.A.F. ((Subiaco, Aust.). 1943. HAROLD SHAW, R.N. (Luton). April '42. Eric Sherlock, A. (Cheltenham). July '42. John Montagu Simpson, S.A.A.F. (Johannesburg). 1943. EDWARD SIMS, R.N. (Eltham). June '44. DENIS C. SMITH, A. (Ilkley). 1943. HAROLD SMITH, A. (Tunstall). March '44.
JOHN SMITH, A. (Elm Park). May '40.
K. L. SMITH, A. (Taunton). Sept. '40. LESLIE NORMAN SMITH, R.A.F. (Kettering). July '41. WALTER J. SPENCE, C.D. (Walworth). March '41. ARTHUR JOHN SPENCER, A. (Ashby-de-la-Zouche). April '43. Rev. W. G. SPENCER, C.C. (Plymouth). May '41. GEORGE G. STEELE, (Khartoum). 1944. HERBERT STOKES, R.A.F. (Bridgwater). Jan. '43. WALTER EDWARD STONE, (Quarndon). Sept. '40. RONALD LESLIE STONE-STREET, R.N. (Services). Nov. '41. WILLIAM STOTT, A. (Heywood). July '44. WILLIAM STRIDE, M.N. (Dockhouse, Southampton).

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den). 1943. WILFRED HARRY SUCH, R.A.F. (Felixstowe). Sept. Rev. J. F. SUTCLIFFE, R.A.F. (Weston-Super-Mare). 1942. G. TEMPLE SWANN, R.A.F. (Services). July '41. ARTHUR SYMONDS, R.A.F. (New Mills). June '44. GILBERT SEYMOUR WYNDHAM TALBOT, A. (Eton). June '44. EDWARD A. TATUM-HUME, C.D. (Edmonton). Dec. '42. DAVID TAYLOR, A. (Nairn). Nov. '43. ERIC HOWARD TAYLOR, A. (Codsell). 1945. ERNEST TAYLOR, A. (Mark IX). 1941. JACK TAYLOR, R.A.F. (Leyton). Oct. '41. THOMAS W. W. TAYLOR, H.G. (Dartford). July '43. RAY THOMAS, (Pontycymmer). 1943. HENRY W. THOMPSON, C.C. (Portsmouth). April JOHN FYFE THOMSON, A. (Hamilton). Aug. '44. ROY TIDBALL, (Crediton). 1943. MICHAEL, TILLEY, R.A.F. (Rio de Janeiro). Oct. '41. LESLIE ARTHUR TOMBLING, C.D. (Bromley). July 42. J. R. TONKISS, R.A.F. (Halton). April '40.
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SAM WESTMORELAND, A. (Mark XXII). July '40.
JOHN HENRY WETTON, C.C. (Alfreton). April '41. GERALD HENRY WHEATLAND, R.A.F. (Services). April '43. Rev. J. Napoleon Wheeler, A. (Durban). Nov. '42. RONALD WHEELER, (Bath). Sept. '44. G. WHIFFEN, A. (Buffs Circle). Jan. '45. EDWARD NEIL WHITLEY, A. Aug. '44. ERNEST HAROLD WHITTAKER, A. (Middlesbrough). 1944. C. (' Doc ') WHITTLE, (Maryborough, Aust.). June '41. CHARLES WHITWORTH, R.A.F. (Shepshed). May E. C. WILD, M.N. (Montevideo),
J. WILD, A. (Catterick). Jan. '45.
JOHN STANLEY WILKINSON, C.C. (Huddersfield).
April '42.
Rev. A. W. PARRY WILLIAMS, A. (Herne Bay).
1943.
BERTRAM CYRIL WILLIAMS, A. (Slough). Oct. '40.
CARL VINCENT WILLIAMS, R.A.F. (Chirk). 1942.
R. E. G. WILLIAMS, R.A.F. (Melksham). July '41.
R. E. W. WILLIAMSON, R.A.F. (Falkirk). Oct.
'42.
DONALD J. R. WILSON, R.A.F. (Khormaksar).
Dec. '40.
MAURICE JASPER WOOD, A. (Pinetown, S. Africa).
Dec. '44.
HUGH WOODSEND, R.A.F. (Catterick). July '43.
CARL R. WOOLLEY, R.A.F. (Mark VI). Dec. '42.

JOHN VINCENT WOOLNOUGH, R.A.F. (Lowestoft).
May '41.

V. J. WOOLNOUGH, R.A.F. (Chippenham). May '42.

REGINALD JOHN WORTH, A. (Exeter). July '44.
ERIC WOLVERSON, R.A.F. (Services). May '40.
F. WRIGHT, C.C. (Seaham Harbour). April '41.
F. S. WRIGHT, R.N. (Services). April '42.
KENNETH FRANK WRIGHT. A. (Services). April '43.
W. WRIGHT, C.D. (Kirkby-in-Ashfield). Dec. '40.

W. L. Errington Yates, A. ('Blighty'). Aug. '42.

CYRIL YEO, R.N. (Golders Green). Jan. '45.
C. W. YOUNG, A. (Yeovil). Sept. '44.
ERIC YOUNG, R.A.F. (Karachi). Dec. '43.

Lord, who hast brought us near to the spirits of just men made perfect in their suffering, grant us in Toc H so to abide in their fellowship that in the heavenly country we may share their joys of service and sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

